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FEDERAL GRAND JURY INDICTMENTS

Columbia, South Carolina ---- United States Attorney Bill Nettles stated today that a Federal Grand Jury in Greenville, South Carolina, returned Indictment(s) against the following:

Pipe bomb Maker Indicted. The United States has charged Richard Michael Odell, age 54, with unlawfully possessing a destructive device. If convicted on this charge, Odell faces a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison and/or a fine of up to \$10,000. The case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (BAFTE), and Andy Moorman with the U.S. Attorney's Office will be prosecuting.

Pickens Woman Indicted for Theft of Government Funds from the Social Security Administration. Bonnie Lou Medlin, age 60, of Pickens, South Carolina, was

charged in a single-count Indictment with theft of government funds from the Social Security Administration, a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 641. The maximum penalty Bonnie Lou Medlin could receive is 10 years imprisonment. The case was investigated by agents of the Social Security Administration - Office of the Inspector General and is assigned to Assistant United States Attorney William C. Lucius of the Greenville office for prosecution.

Greenville Man Indicted for Possessing and Sharing Child Pornography.

Alan Michael Gardinsky, age 32, of Greenville, South Carolina, was charged in a 2-count Indictment with possessing and sharing child pornography, a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2252A(a)(5)(B) and 2252(a)(2). The maximum penalty Alan Michael Gardinsky could receive is 10 imprisonment for violating Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252A(a)(5)(B) and 20 years for violating Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252(a)(2). The case was investigated by agents of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) and is assigned to Assistant United States Attorney William J. Watkins, Jr., of the Greenville office for prosecution. This case is being brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys Offices, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information, please visit www.projectsafefchildhood.gov.

Liberty Man Indicted for Possessing and Sharing Child Pornography. Kiah Wayne Graham, age 29, of Liberty, South Carolina, was charged in a 2-count Indictment with possessing and sharing child pornography, a violation of Title 18, United

States Code, Sections 2252A(a)(5)(B) and 2252(a)(2). The maximum penalty Kiah Wayne Graham could receive is 10 imprisonment for violating Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252A(a)(5)(B) and 20 years imprisonment for violating Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252(a)(2). The case was investigated by agents of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) and is assigned to Assistant United States Attorney William J. Watkins, Jr., of the Greenville office for prosecution. This case is being brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys Offices, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information, please visit www.projectsafefchildhood.gov.

The United States Attorney stated that all charges in these Indictments are merely accusations and that all defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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